

## Session 112 - (1997-1998)

**H\*3985 (Rat #0452, Act #0329 of 1998) General Bill, By Seithel, Allison, Altman, A.W. Byrd, Campsen, Cato, Cobb-Hunter, Fleming, Gamble, Hinson, Lee, Limehouse, Loftis, Mason, Meacham, Miller, Moody-Lawrence, V.T. Mullen, Neilson, Rodgers, Simrill, Spearman and Stuart**

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, TO ENACT THE OMNIBUS HEALTH BENEFITS AND EDUCATION ACT OF 1997 BY ADDING SECTION 38-33-325 SO AS TO REQUIRE HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS TO ALLOW FEMALE PARTICIPANTS DIRECT ACCESS, WITH LIMITATIONS BUT WITHOUT REFERRAL, TO OBSTETRICAL AND GYNECOLOGICAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES WITHIN THE PLAN BENEFITS AND TO REQUIRE THE PLAN TO INFORM FEMALE PARTICIPANTS IN WRITING OF THIS REQUIREMENT; BY ADDING SECTION 38-71-125 SO AS TO REQUIRE INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE POLICIES AND HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS PROVIDING HOSPITALIZATION FOR MASTECTOMIES TO PROVIDE HOSPITALIZATION FOR AT LEAST FORTY-EIGHT HOURS; BY ADDING SECTION 38-71-130 SO AS TO REQUIRE HEALTH INSURANCE POLICIES AND HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS COVERING MASTECTOMY SURGERY TO PROVIDE COVERAGE FOR PROSTHETIC DEVICES AND RECONSTRUCTIVE BREAST SURGERY; AND BY ADDING SECTION 38-71-145 SO AS TO REQUIRE AN INSURER TO INCLUDE COVERAGE FOR MAMMOGRAMS AND PAP SMEARS AND PROSTATE CANCER EXAMINATIONS, SCREENINGS, AND DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY WORK.-AMENDED TITLE

<b>04/10/97</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Introduced and read first time HJ-95</b>
<b>04/10/97</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry HJ-96</b>
<b>04/08/98</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Committee report: Favorable with amendment Labor, Commerce and Industry HJ-7</b>
<b>04/14/98</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Amended HJ-36</b>
<b>04/14/98</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Read second time HJ-36</b>
<b>04/15/98</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Read third time and sent to Senate HJ-18</b>
<b>04/21/98</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Introduced and read first time SJ-16</b>
<b>04/21/98</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Referred to Committee on Banking and Insurance SJ-16</b>
<b>05/07/98</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Recalled from Committee on Banking and Insurance SJ-4</b>
<b>06/02/98</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Amended SJ-72</b>
<b>06/02/98</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Read second time SJ-72</b>
<b>06/02/98</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Ordered to third reading with notice of amendments SJ-72</b>
<b>06/03/98</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Amended</b>
<b>06/03/98</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Read third time and returned to House with amendments</b>
<b>06/03/98</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled HJ-110</b>
<b>06/04/98</b>		<b>Ratified R 452</b>
<b>06/08/98</b>		<b>Signed By Governor</b>
<b>06/19/98</b>		<b>Effective date 06/08/98</b>
<b>06/19/98</b>		<b>See act for exception to or explanation of effective date</b>
<b>06/19/98</b>		<b>Copies available</b>
<b>06/17/98</b>		<b>Act No. 329</b>